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SUBJT: GUINEA BISSAU PARTICIPATION IN LOS CONFERENCE

1. PORTUGUESE PERM REP PATRICIO, UNDER INSTRUCTIONS, CALLED ON AMB SCHAUFLE NOV 29 TO STATE HIS GOVERNMENT'S OBJECTIONS TO ISSUANCE OF VISAS TO GUINEA-BISSAU REPS WHO MIGHT ATTEND LOS CONFERENCE. HE POINTED OUT THAT GUINEA-BISSAU IS NOT A STATE AND NOTED THAT, ACCORDING UN SPOKESMAN, INVITATION HAD BEEN SENT TO CONAKRY, CAPITAL OF ANOTHER STATE.
2. SCHAUFLE ASKED WHAT KIND OF TRAVEL DOCUMENTS GUINEA-BISSAU REPS MIGHT BE EXPECTED TO HOLD. PATRICIO SUSPECTED THEY WOULD BE GUINEAN OR, POSSIBLY, GUINEA-BISSAU PASSPORTS.
3. PATRICIO POINTED TO PRECEDENT OF U.S. UNWILLINGNESS TO ISSUE VISAS TO PRG REPS WHEN QUESTION OF ITS OBSERVER STATUS RAISED LAST SPRING. SCHAUFLE QUICKLY INTERJECTED THAT THIS NO PRECEDENT SINCE QUESTION HAD NEVER ARISEN. PATRICIO BACKED DOWN.
4. SCHAUFLE SAID HE WOULD INFORM USG IMMEDIATELY BUT REFERRED TO US OBLIGATIONS UNDER HEADQUARTERS AGREEMENT.

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IN ADDITION HE POINTED OUT THAT PAIGC REPS COME AND GO

AS PETITIONERS AND OBSERVERS TO 4TH COMITE AND THAT SOME
ALREADY POSSESSING VISAS MIGHT BE DESIGNATED AS REPS TO
LOS CONFERENCE.

5. PATRICIO CALLED LATER TO SAY THAT UN SPOKESMAN HAD
ANNOUNCED THAT GIL FERNANDEZ WOULD BE GUINEA-BISSAU REP
WE SEEM TO RECALL THAT FERNANDEZ HAS ALREADY BEEN ISSUED
A VISA, PRESUMABLY NOT FOR THIS PURPOSE.

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